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- A body-worn implement, comprising:
 an evacuatable sleeve encircling a portion of the body of a wearer; and an orthotic, prosthetic, or sport-related device attached to the sleeve.
- 2. The implement of claim 1, including a stiffening or hinged member 2 attached to the sleeve.
- 3. The implement of claim 1, wherein the stiffening or hinged member is permanently or temporarily attached to the sleeve.
- 4. The implement of claim 1, wherein the stiffening or hinged member is attached to the sleeve using a male-female mechanical connector.
- 5. The implement of claim 1, wherein the stiffening or hinged member is attached to the sleeve using a hook-and-loop fastener.
- 6. The implement of claim 1, further including an intermediate layer 2 disposed between the sleeve and the skin of a wearer.
- 7. The implement of claim 1, further including an intermediate, perforated layer disposed between the sleeve and the skin of a wearer.
- 8. The implement of claim 1, further including a cushioning or thermalinsulating layer between the sleeve and the skin of a wearer.
- 9. The implement of claim 1, further including a cushioning or thermalinsulating outside the sleeve.
 - 10. The implement of claim 1, wherein:

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- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's knee; and
- 4 the orthotic device is a knee brace.

11. The implement of claim 1, wherein:

- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's hip; and
- 4 the orthotic device is a hip brace.

12. The implement of claim 1, wherein:

- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's elbow; and
- 4 the orthotic device is an elbow brace.

13. The implement of claim 1, wherein:

- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's shoulder; and
- 4 the orthotic device is a shoulder brace.

14. The implement of claim 1, wherein:

- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's wrist; and
- 4 the orthotic device is a wrist brace.

15. The implement of claim 1, wherein:

- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's ankle; and
- 4 the orthotic device is an ankle brace.

- 16. The implement of claim 1, wherein:
- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above, below, or above and below a wearer's hand; and
- 4 the orthotic device is an ankle brace.
 - 17. The implement of claim 1, wherein:
- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above a wearer's ankle; and the prosthetic device is an artificial foot or leg.
 - 18. The implement of claim 1, wherein:
- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above a wearer's hand; and the prosthetic device is an artificial hand or arm.
 - 19. The implement of claim 1, wherein:
- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above a wearer's foot; and the sport-related device is a shoe, boot, or fin.
 - 20. The implement of claim 1, wherein:
- the evacuatable sleeve encircles a portion of the body above a wearer's hand; and the sport-related device is a glove of mitt.